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NE coords on the below paper, to include the earlier edits.
We have looped in ODNCS and others to ensure everyone has a chance to review given the urgency at which this is being requested.
For ODNCS - at this morning HPSCI coffee with DCIA, HPSCI members eagerly sought some sort of "white paper" they could use to reply to numerous media requests asking for comments on other inflammatory press articles regarding the Benghazi attacks.
HPSCI has asked for unclassified points immediately that they can use in talking to the media. I have been asked to provide a bit on responsibility. NE is pulling together the final product. In addition to other topics, NE will add material about warnings we gave to Cairo prior to the demonstrations, as well as material on warnings we issued prior to 9/11 anniversary. Please take a quick look to see if you believe that this is A) accurate and B) unclass.
For CTC/Legal, asked that I send this to you and anybody you think needs to see in OGC to make sure that nothing we are saying here is likely to impact any potential future legal prosecution.
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We believe based on currently available information that the attacks in Benghazi were spontaneously inspired by the protests at the US Embassy in Cairo and evolved into a direct assault against the US Consulate and subsequently its annex. This assessment may change as additional information is collected and analyzed and currently available information continues to be evaluated.
<ul> <li>The crowd almost certainly was a mix of individuals from across many sectors of Libyan society. That being said, we do know that Islamic extremists with ties to al-Qa'ida participated in the attack.</li> </ul>
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Congressional talking points en route this afternoon for coord

Tommy: .

Echoing my voicemail to you:

You should be seeing some "White Paper" talking points from us this afternoon for coordination. They are for Congressional use, per their request, re Benghazi issues.

Thanks,

Chief, Media Relations

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### HPSCI White Paper Talking Points for Use with the Media

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White House is reviewing and DNI is aware.

Chief, Media Relations CIA Office of Public Affairs

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The White House has reviewed them and wanted to ensure that you saw them - especially the portions highlighted by the White House.

Kindly indicate that you have reviewed these points. We are planning on transmitting them to the Hill tonight.

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# STATE STAFF ASST.

From:

Vietor, Tommy [Thomas\_F.\_Vietor@v

Friday, September 14, 2012 8:58 PM

Sent: To: Subject: Nuland, Victoria J; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; STATE PA

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RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

We will use these too

----Original Message----

From: Nuland, Victoria J [nulandvj@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:55 PM Eastern Standard Time To: Vietor, Tommy; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; State PA

Subject: Re: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

These are points for Congress to use w press. Shant they be consistent with our own public lines if we are recommending them?

From: Vietor, Tommy [mailto:Thomas\_F.\_Vietor@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:43 PM

To: Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J. <Benjamin\_J.\_Rhodes@

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

There is massive disinformation out there, in particular with Congress. They all think it was premeditated based on inaccurate assumptions or briefings. So I think this is a response to not only a tasking from the house intel

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committee but also NSC guidance that we need to brief members/press and correct the record

----Original Message----

From: Sullivan, Jacob J [SullivanJJ@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 08:40 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Vietor, Tommy; STATE PA Nuland, Victoria J

Subject: FW: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Skinnying list. I do not understand the nature of this exercise. And some of the statements below are new by me. Can we have a conversation before this goes out?

From: Adams, David S

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 8:39 PM To: Nuland, Victoria J; NSC Deputy Press Secretary; . CIA, OPA ; Shawn.Turner@c ; STATE PA : Sullivan, Jacob J

Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS, WH PRESS CC: CIA OCA

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Sent: Friday. September 14, 2012 6:48 PM CIA OFA ; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS PRESS, Shawn.Turner@ TO CLA OPA Nuland, Victoria J; STATE PA

WH PRESS CC CIA OCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

FYI, Brennan will have edits. Im waiting for those.

From: (

CIA DPA

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:43 PM To: Shawn.Turner@

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cc: CIA OCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Looping in State. I think that's a good adjustment.

From: Shawn S Turner

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:41 PM

To: QIA OPA; Vietor, Tommy; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS, WH PRESS

CC: CIA OCA

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

I've been very careful not to say we issued a warning. Any concerns with adjusting the first highlighted line to say:

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From: CIA OFA

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:24 PM

To: Vietor, Tommy; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS, WH PRESS

Cc: CIA OCShawn S Turner

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Thanks very much for your prompt response, Tommy.

Will send over to STATE.

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From: Vietor, Tommy [mailto:Thomas F. Vietor@

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 6:21 PM

To: CIA JPA; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; NSS; WH PRESS

Cc: CIA COShawn S Turner

Subject: RE: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

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CIA OPA From:

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 5:09 PM

NSS, WH PRESS To: Vietor, Tommy; Rhodes, Benjamin J.;

CC: CIA OCA Shawn. Turner@

Subject: Revised HPSCI Talking Points for Review

Colleagues:

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Please review this revised version:

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Thanks,

Chief, Media Relations CIA Office of Public Affairs From: 57

Friday, September 14, 2012 9:15 PM

To: Cc: Subject:

FW: Revised HPSCI taking points

Here's where we stand as of this hour.

Everyone has submitted coordination comments.

The State Department had major reservations with much or most of the document. We revised the document with their concerns in mind. The latest version is below, as sent to State.

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From: CAORA

Sent: Friday, September 14, 2012 8:59 PM

To: nulandvi

Cc: C/A D/A
Subject: Revised HPSCI taking points

Toria:

We further discussed the HPSCI talking points with your comments and concerns in mind.

The FBI did not have major concerns with the points and offered only a couple of minor suggestions.

Here's the latest version of the points. Please let us know your thoughts ASAP.

Thanks,

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Toria:

We further discussed the HPSCI talking points with your comments and concerns in mind.

The FBI did not have major concerns with the points and offered only a couple of minor suggestions.

Here's the latest version of the points. Please let us know your thoughts ASAP.

Thanks,

CIA OPA

# HPSCI White Paper Talking Points for Use with the Media 14 September 2012

 The currently available information suggests that the demonstrations in Benghazi were spontaneously inspired by the protests at the US Embassy in Cairo and evolved into a direct assault against the US Consulate and subsequently its annex. This assessment may change as additional information is collected and analyzed and currently available information continues to be evaluated. On 10 September the Agency notified Embassy Cairo of social media reports calling for a demonstration and encouraging jihadists to break into the Embassy.

- The investigation is on-going as to who is responsible for the violence, although the crowd almost certainly
  was a mix of individuals. That being said, there are indications that Islamic extremists participated in the
  violent demonstrations.
- The wide availability of weapons and experienced fighters in Libya almost certainly contributed to the lethality of the attacks.
- The Agency has produced numerous pieces on the threat of extremists linked to al-Qaeda in Benghazi and
  eastern Libya. Since April, there have been at least five other attacks against foreign interests in Benghazi
  by unidentified assailants, including the June attack against the British Ambassador's convoy. We cannot
  rule out that individuals had previously surveilled the US facilities, also contributing to the efficacy of the
  attacks.
- The US Government is working with Libyan authorities and intelligence partners in an effort to help bring to justice those responsible for the deaths of US citizens.

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: Here's a draft note to the DIRECTOR .

Sir – We've tried to work the draft talking points for HPSCI through the coordination process but have run into major problems. Perhaps as a result of the afternoon teleconference, a number of agencies have been looped in. The White House cleared quickly, but State has major concerns. The Bureau cleared with a few comments but asked that Justice, which would handle any criminal prosecution, be brought in. It is evident that will not happen tonight, and Ben Rhodes has asked that this issue be reviewed tomorrow morning at the Deputies' meeting.

Additionally, Eric Schmitt of the NYT contacted us to let us know that he had spoken with Rep. Ruppersberger, who had given him a readout of your session.

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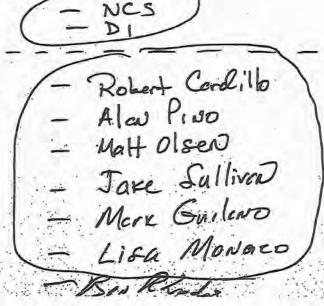
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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012.11:09 AM To:: MICHAEJM

Subject: [AIN] FW: Unclassified Talking Points

Please respond to "Matthew G. Olsen" .

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Michael -- TPs sent to Ruppersberger from ODNI leg.

----Original Message----

From: NCTC/OLA Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:51 AM To: Nicholas J Rasmussen; Matthew G. Olsen co: NCTC

Subject: Unclassified Talking Points

Sirs - Here is what we sent Heather Molino (Ruppersberger)

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As time progresses, we are learning more, but we still don't have a complete picture of what happened. Fortunately we have the FBI leading the investigation of the attack. Regrettably they have all too much experience in these matters.

At this point, we are not aware of any actionable intelligence that this attack was planned or imminent. The intelligence community is combing through reporting from before and after the attack to determine the full extent of who was involved.

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We are very cautious about drawing any firm conclusions at this point with regard to the identification and motivation of the attackers. The IC is working aggressively to this end, and the FBI will continue its investigation.

Unrest in the Middle East creates a permissive environment for terrorists. In the days and weeks ahead, we need to be especially vigilant in protecting our people.

Legislative Liaison
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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012 11:15 AM Subject: [AIN] RE:

'Rhodes, Benjamin J.', MICHAEJM , Robert Cardillo, Alan

R Pino sullivanjj mark.giuliand

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To:

CIA SCA /OPA

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Michael -- This looks good to me.

-Matt

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From: Matthew G. Olsen Date: 09/15/2012 11:16 AM Subject: [AIN] RE:

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From: Sullivan, Jacob J Date: 09/15/2012 11:26 AM

Subject: [AIN] RE:

Rhodes, Benjamin J., michaejm, Robert.Cardillo, alanrp, matt.olsen, mark.giuliano, jcingli, lisa:monaco

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Michael - DOJ and FBI are ok with these. thanks

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NSA concurs with the content and cast of the bullets. Thanks for the chance to review.

Chris Inglis

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Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:08 AM

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From:

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Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:03 PM

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From:

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Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM

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Subject:

## OCA

Before going to the committees, may I please ask you to send these to the Director? He needs to know in advance what is going to the Hill in his name, even if it going with the force of full interagency coordination.

Cheers, CIA FO

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From: CIA OCA

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:02 PM

To: MICHAEJM

CC: UIA 07A FO CIA FO

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From: Robert Cardillo Date: 09/15/2012 12:24 PM Subject: [AIN] Re:

To: MICHAEJM; Alan R.Pino.

Please respond to Robert Cardillo

I am, Michael.

---- Original Message -----

From: MICHABJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:20 PM

To: Robert Cardillo; Alan R Pino

Subject: Fw:

Robert, Alan--Everyone else has coordinated and HPSCI is waiting not so patiently. Are you guys good? Michael

---- Original Message -----

From: CIA OPA

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:13 PM To: CEA MICHAEJM

TO: CIA MICHAEJM CC: CIAFO CIA FO

Subject: RE:

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From: CTA Fo Date: 09/15/2012 12:32 PM

Subject: [AIN] RE:

MICHAEJM, CEAOPA

Cc:

CIA FO

Please respond to CIAFO

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This is to confirm in writing: I just spoke with Alan on the phone. Allen said he concurred with the TPs.

----Original Message-----

From: MICHAEJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:19 PM

TO: CEAOPA, CFAOCA

CC: CER FO

Subject: Re:

Thanks. I will bug Robert and Alan.

---- Original Message -From: CIA OPA

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012.12:13 PM To: CFROGC MICHARJM

Cc: CIA FO CIA FO Subject: RE:

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Sent:

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Subject:

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USUN

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:21 PM

To:

USUN

Subject:

Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Please do--I have not reached out.

Best, USUN

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15. 2012 02:15 PM

USUN

Subject: Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

I'm going to email Jake on the libya points

references below unless either of you are linked in to this effort. Pls let

me know.

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:23 PM

To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); USUN '; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); USUN

3c: USUN

Subject: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Libya:

HPSCI request: Late this week, CIA Director Petraeus gave the HPSCI a "hots spots" briefing and was asked for unclassified talking points that its members could use about incident in Benghazi. (Apparently NCTC Director Matt Olson received a similar committee from a congressional committee.) The first draft apparently seemed unsuitable (based on conversations on the SVTS and afterwards) because they seemed to encourage the reader to infer incorrectly that the CIA had warned about a specific attack on our embassy. On the SVTS, Morell noted that these points were not good and he had taken a heavy editing hand to them. He noted that he would be happy to work with Jake Sullivan and Rhodes to develop appropriate talking points. McDonough, on Rhodes's behalf, deferred to Sullivan. It was agreed that Jake would work closely with the intelligence community (within a small group) to finalize points on Saturday that could be shared with HPSCI. I spoke to Jake immediately after the SVTS and noted that you were doing the Sunday morning shows and would need to be aware of the final posture that these points took. He committed to ensure that we were updated in advance of the Sunday shows. I specifically mentioned USUN as the one coordinating your preparations for the shows and also strongly encouraged him to loop in USUN during the process.

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From:

DAVIDHP74

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:27 PM

Cc:

MICHAEJM; GEA FO

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Subject:

RE: Hill Talking Points

No mention of the cable to Cairo, either? Frankly, I'd just as soon not use this, then... NSS's call, to be sure; however, this is certainly not what Vice Chairman RUppersberger was hoping to get for unclas use. Regardless, thx for the great work -

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To: Cc: USUN

Subject:

Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

## Coming your way.

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From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 02:33 PM

To: Sullivan, Jacob J

CC: USUN

Subject: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Jake - understand from USUN that you're working a set of unclass IC pts on libya for the Hill. If these are going to be finalized by Sunday am (or COB today), can we get a copy for Susan to ensure we're on the same msg? Happy to have USUN work with whomever on the State team is handling this, unless it's you - in which case happy to get them directly. Whatever is easiest.

Many thx.

USUN

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CC: PO CIA FO

Subject: Re:

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From: USUN

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